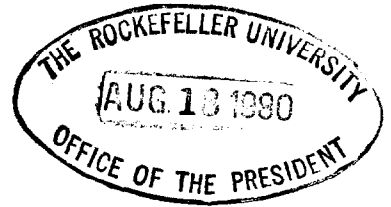


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Dr. Joshua Lederberg
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Dear Dr. Lederberg:

Our office receives innumerable inquiries from both in-house and other organizations concerning Academy members. These requests for information cover possible participants in committee and assembly efforts, as well as those being considered for special honors. In addition, we find we are receiving more and more queries from those dealing with the history of science. Obviously, having complete membership data available is becoming increasingly important to the Academy.

We would like to be able to respond to inquiries with accurate information. To that end, I am hoping that you can provide us with the material indicated on the enclosed checklist. Please be assured that information contained within the Academy files is selectively provided. Only that which is in the public domain is distributed upon request.

Your cooperation in helping to establish an effective set of membership records for the Academy will be greatly appreciated. ✓

Sincerely,

Victoria B. Crawford

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REQUEST FOR MEMBER'S FILE DATA

We are seeking to bring up to date the biographical information in the members' records, and we ask your cooperation. Each member's file ideally should contain information of the type outlined below, preferably prepared in narrative form. A red check on the following chart indicates the present state of our file information on you regarding items which are either missing or in need of being brought up to date.

Item	Missing	Update
<u>Bibliography</u> consisting of books and scientific articles complete with citations including date and place of publication, full pagination, correct title, number and volume of publication. Abstracts need not be included.	✓	✓
<u>Curriculum vitae</u> , including academic institutions attended, positions held in educational or other institutions or in state/federal government, positions in honorary societies.	✓	✓
<u>Honors</u> and decorations received (with dates).	✓	✓
<u>Autobiographical facts</u> should encompass experiences which you yourself can best recall, and which are not ordinarily found in standard reference books:	✓	✓
A description of your home background as a child Some familial background Studies which were preferred and those disliked Schools attended during early years Activities in the home during the school period Avocations and other special interests Major influences which aroused interest in and directed the selection of your field of science Individuals who stimulated further scientific efforts.		
<u>First contributions</u> to science.	✓	
<u>Discoveries</u> you consider most important and the circumstances of their development.	✓	
<u>Photograph</u> of your preference. Notation of date taken and photographer's name should be included. An 8" x 10" glossy print is the best form, if available.		1978

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Detailed file will be deposited at Rockefeller Univ. Archives.